

assist migrants, and critical programs to combat public health threats. The bill also limits the ability of the department to counter misinformation, meet cybersecurity needs, and bans abortion services for individuals in U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody. I urge my colleagues to maintain this program to further modeling and simulation-based emergency preparedness network as we work towards a mutually agreeable funding bill.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIMMY GOMEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. GOMEZ. Mr. Speaker, on June 26, 2024, I was not recorded on Roll Call No. 283. Had I been present, I would have voted "NAY" on Roll Call No. 283.

On June 27, 2024, I was not recorded on Roll Call No. 318 and No. 320. Had I been present, I would have voted "NAY" on Roll Call No. 318 and No. 320.

CELEBRATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF TURNER INDUSTRIES' PARIS FACILITY

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Turner Industries' pipe fabrication facility in Paris, Texas. Turner Industries specializes in innovative industrial contracting to fully meet client needs while prioritizing safety, efficiency, and reliability.

Turner Industries was first established in 1961 by Bert Turner, a young engineer with an entrepreneurial vision. Over the years, it has expanded its presence along the Gulf Coast and offered additional services, including construction, transportation, maintenance, and steel fabrication. In 1998, Turner opened its state-of-the-art pipe fabrication facility in Paris with over 375 acres of space. Each pipe assembled here is precision-built to support power generation facilities, refineries, and petrochemical plants across the nation.

For its outstanding work, Turner Industries has been recognized as the number one industrial contractor in the Associated Builders and Contractors' Top 250 Contractors list. It has also been honored by the Construction Users Roundtable and presented with the prestigious Construction Industry Safety Excellence Award three times for its commitment to employee safety.

In addition to serving as a critical energy backbone for our nation, Turner employs over 20,000 hardworking professionals across its facilities. It has invested in a new Operations Building at its Paris facility, which will greatly contribute to the North Texas workforce and community. I would like to especially recognize Mr. Chris Bailey, who serves as the Plant Manager and Vice President for Turner's Paris

operations. Mr. Bailey has dedicated himself to building and supporting educational programs in the North Texas community.

I have requested the United States flag to be flown over our Nation's Capitol to recognize this historic occasion and investment for the people of District 4. Congratulations to Turner Industries, and I wish them the best.

HONORING COMMANDING OFFICER, COLONEL MICHAEL L. BROOKS' CAREER AT MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO

HON. ABIGAIL DAVIS SPANBERGER

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to thank Colonel Michael L. Brooks for a successful three-year tour as commanding officer of Marine Corps Base Quantico.

A native Virginian, Colonel Brooks' thirty-six years of honorable service to our country began when he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1988. From his first assignment as the operations clerk in the S-3 office at Camp Lejeune to his tour as the commanding officer of Marine Corps Base Quantico, his dedication to the Marine Corps mission is unwavering.

Colonel Brooks has deployed to support various military operations during his career. In 1990 and 1991, he deployed in support of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He was then deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II, participated in the July 2006 evacuation of American citizens in Beirut, Lebanon, and assisted in operations Infinite Moonlight in Jordan and Inspired Union in Kuwait.

Throughout his service, his commitment to his education and leadership has never wavered. In 1992, he was assigned to Officer Candidate School at Quantico, the very base he would lead thirty years later. Before finishing his tour with 2d Marines, Colonel Brooks earned a degree in psychology from Campbell University. In 2011, then-Major Brooks attended Resident Command and Staff College in Quantico and soon after was selected to attend the Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Since assuming command of Marine Corps Base Quantico in 2021, Colonel Brooks has contributed to the base's distinction as the nation's premiere training institution for the Marine Corps. His contributions will undoubtedly leave a lasting impact not only on the base, but on the wider region. He prioritized strengthening vital relationships in the community and presided over the installation's \$6.96 billion total economic impact, all while upholding the base's proud traditions set forth over one hundred years ago.

Throughout his service, Colonel Brooks has earned numerous decorations including the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (3d award), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (5th award), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (3d award), and the Combat Action Ribbon.

Colonel Brooks is the true embodiment of the USMC's slogan *Semper Fidelis*. I thank

him for his tireless commitment to protecting our nation and commend him for the positive example his leadership has set for all of us throughout his long and distinguished military career.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating and thanking Colonel Michael L. Brooks for his steadfast and unwavering service to our country, and in wishing him the best as he takes the next step in his career at his last duty station in New Orleans.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I entered my vote incorrectly for Roll Call No. 325 on H.R. 8774. I mistakenly voted NAY when I intended to vote YEA.

RECOGNIZING CONGRESSIONAL PATRIOT AWARD RECIPIENT BRANDON BELL

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Judge Brandon Bell of Paris, Texas, and present him with the Congressional Patriot Award. Judge Bell has dedicated himself to faithfully serving our community.

Judge Bell is a seventh generation Texan who was born in Paris, Texas. In 1999, he graduated from Texas A&M University at Commerce with a Bachelor of Professional Accountancy. Judge Bell later received his Juris Doctor from SMU Dedman School of Law in 2004. He initially clerked for Judge Sidney A. Fitzwater, the chief U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, before being admitted to the Texas State Bar in November 2004. Judge Bell is licensed as an attorney and Certified Public Accountant. He began his lengthy legal career at Boyd Veigel and specializes in family law, criminal defense, and tax law. In 2019, Judge Bell was elected as Lamar County Judge. In addition to presiding over criminal and civil matters, he is passionate about granting foster parents the opportunity to become the legal guardians for disabled children.

Separately, Judge Bell is involved in numerous charitable initiatives. He previously served on the board of the New Hope Center of Paris and coaches Dixie Youth Baseball in his free time. He is also a member of the Roan Oak Masonic Lodge and the Dallas Scottish Rite. Judge Bell is a devoted man of faith, and he attends South Side Baptist Church with his wife, Amanda, and his two children. I commend Judge Bell for his lifelong commitment to serving our community and empowering foster families. His efforts have helped many underprivileged children find a caring and loving home.

It is an honor to bestow Judge Bell with the Patriot Award for his exceptional service to the people of North Texas.

RECOGNIZING ELIZABETH BARRIE
FOR HER SERVICE TO CALIFOR-
NIA'S 46TH CONGRESSIONAL DIS-
TRICT

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the contributions of Elizabeth Barrie to California's 46th Congressional District. Elizabeth started her career on the Hill as an intern in my office during my first year in Congress and, like many congressional staffers before her, takes great pride in being a part of this Chamber and this institution. Members are able to better serve out constituents because of the tireless and invisible work and support that our staffers provide us. For Team CORREA, it has been an honor to know and work alongside Elizabeth.

Elizabeth has dedicated herself to her role through countless late nights, through sprints in the Rayburn basement, and through many difficult conversations while advising me.

I've seen staffers come and go on to greener pastures, and I am always so fortunate to cross paths with an individual who still has so much potential. She's an incredibly bright staffer with an even brighter future ahead.

Though we are all sad to lose her, we know that she will bring the same work ethic to her new role as Federal Affairs and National Engagement Manager for the City of Los Angeles, where she'll be able to wear her Dodgers shirt without fear of shame.

I've had the honor of watching Elizabeth grow into her role, and I will still never let her forget that Orange County is the best county in California. I am so proud that Elizabeth will return to her roots and serve the constituents of LA. Elizabeth truly believes in the ideals of public service, and Los Angeles is lucky to have her service.

COMMEMORATING PRIDE MONTH
AND HONORING MARQUIS JENKINS

HON. DANIEL S. GOLDMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. GOLDMAN of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Pride Month and honor an LGBTQIA+ community leader in New York's Tenth District, Marquis Jenkins.

Marquis is a community activist with deep roots on the Lower East Side, a lifelong organizer dedicated to building solidarity around issues affecting underprivileged Americans. He has worked at the NAACP to combat issues around criminal justice, he has directed organizing at WE ACT to advance issues of environmental justice, and he is currently director of organizing at Common Justice, a nonprofit dedicated to advancing solutions to violence and addressing issues in our criminal justice system. Marquis has never forgotten the NYCHA public housing complexes where he grew up, and first entered activism at the age of 17 when he ran for resident association president at Bricetti Plaza.

Marquis's dedication to the Lower East Side is evident to everyone who knows him, and our district is lucky to get to call him ours. I thank Marquis.

RECOGNIZING CONGRESSIONAL PA-
TRIOT AWARD RECIPIENT PETER
BURNS

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 28, 2024

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Peter Burns of Frisco, Texas, and present him with the Congressional Patriot Award. Peter has dedicated himself to faithfully serving our community and country.

Peter was born in 1960 in Kingston, Jamaica. At a young age, his family moved to the United States and settled in Brooklyn, New York. In October 1978, Peter enlisted into the United States Army Signal Corps, where he served in various leadership roles. His service took him around the world, including South Korea, Germany, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Macedonia. In 1999, Peter retired from the Army and joined the telecommunications industry. He obtained his Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix and completed the Entrepreneurial Development program at the University of Texas at Dallas. In 2020, Peter founded The Bridge Delivery Service, which works closely with Amazon Logistics to ensure the timely delivery of packages for North Texas residents.

At the same time, Peter is actively involved in numerous charitable and educational initiatives to benefit our community. He is a board member for the Frisco Education Foundation, Junior Achievement of Dallas, and Be In Health Foundation, where he leads efforts to improve youth entrepreneurship and provide scholarships for students in need. Peter is also a devoted man of faith, and he is the Youth Director at Friendship Baptist Church of The Colony. For his outstanding work, Peter was recognized as Citizen of the Year in 2014 by the Frisco Chamber of Commerce and named 2017 Person of the Year by Frisco Style Magazine. In addition, he was named as Frisco's Distinguished Veteran of the Year in 2019 and received the prestigious Congressional Veteran Commendation. I am proud of the work Peter has accomplished, and I wish him continued success for many years to come.

It is an honor to bestow Peter with the Patriot Award for his exceptional service to our Nation and the people of North Texas.